

PATENT/DESIGN PATENT

DECLARATION

As a below-named inventor, I(we) hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

A METHOD FOR MEASURING THE DIAMETER OF AN ELONGATED ARTICLE OF A CIRCULAR CROSS SECTION

(Insert invention title)

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the declaration.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is known to be material to patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56.

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(List prior foreign applications)

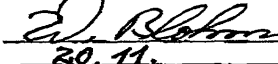
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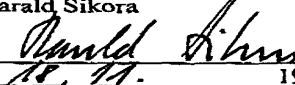
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